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FREDERICK BANCROFT, *the Magician* states in a recent interview that his new spectacular production of magic has been the one great ambition of his life, and is the outcome of years of experiment and research. He is an ardent student of the natural sciences, and claims to have developed some startling and entirely novel illusions, which he will present this season. As a sleight-of-hand performer, Mr. Bancroft is said to be unsurpassed, and upon the spectacular background of his entertainment he is said to have expended a large amount of money, engaging in its construction only the most noted scenic artists and the most skilled labor to be had in this country and in Europe, and he claims that the result is one of the most elaborate stage settings ever seen in this country. Certain it is that two special cars will be required to transport it from place to place, and that he has engaged some of the best specialty artists to be had in this country, and has even drawn upon the European supply in order to secure artists whose acts are in keeping with his Oriental play and scenery. The entertainment takes the form of a visit to the palace of a magician, where, surrounded by the slaves of his household, he performs many of his marvellous tricks and illusions. Then in the palace of the Sultans of Oriental fable the magician works fresh marvels. MR. BANCROFT'S route will embrace most of the principal cities between St. Paul and Boston, and he has already arranged to appear here. The date of the engagement will be announced later. Mr. Clarence Fleming, who directs the first American tour of Mr. John Hare, the celebrated English Actor, has this novel entertainment in charge. His connection with it is an ample guarantee of its worth.

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Mrs. Hardacre—I don't believe they pay no such interest!

Mr. Hardacre—Oh, yer don't, Mrs. Smarty, don't yer? Well yer Uncle Hardacre just loaned \$100 at that rate ter day. I'll tell you how I done it. I met a right slick-lookin' young man in front of the Astor House, and he says ter me, says he: "Sir, I would like to borrow \$100, for which I will pay 50 per cent. interest." "But," says I "I don't know yer, and how am I to tell that you will pay me the interest?" "If you doubt me, sir," says he, "I will pay you the 50 per cent. in advance." Well that looked safe enough so I give him two \$50 notes, and he paid me one of them back for the interest right on the spot. I'm to meet him at the Astor House every year and get the interest. I tell you what, Becky, it makes me mad to think what I've lost all these years.—*From Puck.*

First horse—"Well, they took poor old Dobbin to the slaughter-house to-day." Second horse—"That's too bad." First horse—"It is bad, but worse remains. They mean to make his hide into bicycle-saddles."

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Satan—You have a bright future before you you, young man.

New Arrival—Have I, really?

Satan—Yes.

And then Satan opened the door of the fiery furnace and gently pushed him in.

The prince's tutor—"What can your highness tell me about gold?

The prince is silent.

Tutor—"Quite right, your highness. Silence is golden!"—Fliegende Blaetter.

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CAST OF CHARACTERS.

Michaela.....	Marie Tavary
Frasquita.....	Sophia Romani
Mercedes.....	Nellie Franklin
Don Jose.....	F. Michelina
Escamillo.....	Max Eugene
Zuniga.....	Wm. Schuster
Dancairo.....	Joseph Witt
Remendado.....	H. S. Keady
Morales.....	S. H. Dudley
Carmen.....	Thea Dorre

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During the evening, incidental to the stage performance, the ORCHESTRA of the Grand Opera House, under the direction of FRED. L. EVANS, will perform the following selections :

OVERTURE—Raymond.....	Thomas
RUSSIAN MAZURKA—La Czarine.....	Ganne
SELECTION—"Robin Hood".....	Wiegand
WALTZ—Nisida.....	Strauss
OVERTURE—Ne Cheval de Bronze.....	Auber
MARCH—American Cadet.....	Hall

The above Programme subject to transposition.

N. B.—The Orchestra at the Grand Opera House may be secured for engagements outside the theatre, by applying at or addressing the Box Office.

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Miss Coygirl—"Jack Softleigh told me last
night that I ought to accept him, because he
was willing to prove his love for me." Her
Friend—"What did you say?" Miss Coygirl—
"I said I couldn't see it in that light." Her
Friend—"Then what did he say?" Miss
Coygirl—"Nothing. He just turned the
light out."

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An engagement has been made for the band to appear here, and something sensational and in the nature of a revelation may be expected.

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PROGRAMME

The primary idea of this Programme is, of course, to enlighten the audience as to the personnel of the artists taking part in the performances, incidentally to serve as a guide to the plot of the piece, and generally to give such information as will tend to the enjoyment of the auditor.

Reading matter of a miscellaneous nature, is, however, liberally supplied, that may be perused with interest and advantage. Quips and Quirks give zest to the solid matter, as sauces do to meats, but there is a fund of information in the advertisements that may be seriously considered with profit.

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"But," replied the commission merchant, "I can't agree to contract for your wheat at seventy cents."

"Why not? It's goin' up to a dollar an' you'll make thirty cents a bushel. Ain't that enough?"

"Oh, yes; but you see that seventy cents is only a speculative price. It ain't what they pay for real wheat."

"Don't pay that for real wheat? What in thunder do they pay for, then?"

"Why, for options."

"Well, what the blazes are options?"

"Why, they're promises to get wheat and sell it for such and such a price."

"Well, then, they got to get the wheat, ain't they?"

"No; they sell the promises again, according as the market rises or falls."

"An' don't they buy an' sell any real wheat at all?"

"Not much."

"Just buy an' sell wind at seventy cents a bushel?"

"That's about it."

"Thunder an' Mars, wish I'd known that last fall. I wouldn't a-sowed any wheat. I'd tied my grain bags to the back o' my fannin' mill an' kept the boy turnin' it all winter, till I'd filled all the bags I could get hold of. But it ain't too late yet. By gosh, if it's wind they want 'stead of wheat, I can supply the market for the hull country right off my farm!"

First citizen (in the near future)—"Who is that they're goin' to string up?" Second citizen—"That's the man that stole Tornado Pete's bicycle."

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He did not go on his knees to her—
For she was on his knees already."
—Life.

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Foot Tighe—"Hungry! Dere's an appetizing odor about you dat reminds me of the roast goose of me childhood. Hev you hed any?"

Hungry Hawkes—"Nope! But I slep' in an onion bed last night."

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ONE ON WOMAN.

Oh, woman, lovely woman, were it not for thee,
Man, indeed would have a fit and die from
apathy.
Thou art fair as the lily, and beauteous as
the rose,
For, coming down to beauty, you're in it, "I'll
tell you those."
Oh, woman, lovely woman, thy charms are
ever great,
Thou dost keep the men all guessing some-
times at a lively rate,
How often hast thou caught them with thy
smile so fair to see,
Oh, woman, lovely woman, come, wilt "smile
with me?"
Oh, woman, lovely woman, chief attraction—
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the price,
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Exert it in a profitable way o'er fathers, lovers
and brothers,
And tell them when they printing want—
forget that "there are others."
Then woman, lovely woman, thou hast not
lived in vain,
Pleasant day to morrow, if indeed it does not rain
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go." She—"I'll put it in now."

"Going to take your family abroad, Hicks?"
"Yep." "Where do you expect to be in
August?" "In bankruptcy."

Wife—"What do you think of Bridget's
cooking?" Husband—"I think if she tried
to boil water she'd burn it."

She (reproachfully)—"You said you would
die for me." He (stiffly)—"I was referring to
my whiskers, madam."

"Say, guide, what does that memorial
stone commemorate?" "I put it there. It
is upon that spot where a tourist once gave
me five marks."

Painter (to his model)—"Now you can
rest a bit while I paint in the background."
Peasant woman (bashfully)—"Ach, then I
suppose I shall have to turn 'round."



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